by the Uſe of emollient Fomentations. He now is perfectly ſound, and in a good State of Health, walks ſtrait, and his Thigh is not any ſhorter than the other. This is the true State of the Caſe. I am,

SIR,

Bradford, Jan. 15. 1739. *Your humble Servant,*

William Wright.

III. *An Account of a monſtrous* Fœtus, *reſembling a hooded* Monkey: *Communicated by Mr.* William Gregory *of* Rocheſter.

A Woman, aged 44, of an athletic Body, conceived with Child a little before *Chriſtmas* 1730. upon which enſued all the uſual Symptoms of Pregnancy. Soon after Conception, ſome Fellows who travel the Country, with a *Bear* and a *Monkey*, placed themſelves before the Woman's Door, in order to make Diverſion for the Populace. The *Monkey* had a Hood on, which reached to his Shoulders, of which the Woman took prodigious Notice; and all the time the *Monkey* was playing his Tricks, in turning over a Stick, *&c.* the Woman could not keep her Eyes off from him. Some ſmall time after, the Woman met a Man of a thin, pale, diſmal Aſpect, upon whom ſhe looked very earneſtly, and thought his Face to be (to a Tittle) like the *Monkey's* Face. When the Woman was quick with Child, and the *Fœtus* began to move, the Woman felt it turn over

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and over, many times ſucceſſively, juſt as the *Monkey* turned over the Stick; and as often as it moved, it was in the ſame Manner. In the Seventh Month of her Pregnancy, ſhe was taken ill, with a Vomiting, Gripes, and Looſeneſs, which ſoon ceaſed without the Help of Medicine; upon which the Woman's Belly began to grow leſs, and the *Fœtus* did not move ſo often, nor ſo ſtrong, as before. The Woman began to be very uneaſy, thought her Caſe dangerous, and that ſhe was not with Child; upon which ſhe conſulted me. I examined how ſhe was from the Beginning, and found her Caſe as above related: I then gave it as my Opinion, that ſhe was with Child, and begged ſhe would not take any Medicine, until her Time of Reckoning was expired, which (with much Difficulty) I prevailed upon her to conſent to. I was ſent for in a Month after, and was deſired to give her ſomething to bring down her great Belly, ſhe believing herſelf not with Child. I was ſtill of Opinion ſhe was with Child, and told her, that what ſhe felt move in her Belly, was in all Probability a Child; and the Fulneſs of her Breaſts, and other Symptoms, were ſtrong Proofs of her being with Child. I endeavoured to convince her, that there was no Danger in her Caſe, as far as I could apprehend; ſhe being then in tolerable good Health, and able to attend the Affairs of her Family. I again prevailed upon her to deſiſt from taking Medicine for a Month longer: The Month elapſed, and no great Alteration. She felt ſomething move faintly about the Expiration of the Ninth Month, when I viſited her, and was then in tolerable good Health, though very uneaſy at her great Belly: I told her, that ſhe might be miſtaken in

her Reckoning, and that ſhe would go a Month longer: She was poſitive ſhe was not miſtaken, for that ſhe had miſſed her *Menſtrua* ſome time before *Chriſtmas*, which ſhe never uſed to miſs, but when with Child; and now ſhe could not believe herſelf with Child, by reaſon her full Time of Pregnancy was expired. I told her the Danger of taking purging Medicines, whilſt ſhe was with Child; and gave her Inſtances in the Neighbourhood, of the fatal Conſequences of ſome Mens Practice in the like Caſe; by which I again prevailed upon her to tarry another Month, at the Expiration of which I gave my Patient a Viſit, and found her much as ſhe was when I ſaw her before. Now Ten *Lunar* Months were elapſed, and my Patient felt nothing move in her Belly for Six Weeks paſt: I then confeſſed I had miſtook her Caſe, but gave her Hopes there was ſtill a Probability of removing her Diſtemper, and reſtoring her to Health; in order to which I immediately ſent her an Infuſion of *Sena, Rhubarb, Sal. Tartar. &c. cum Syr. de Rhamno*, which ſhe did not take for Two Days after, being the 5th of *September* 1731. My Patient took the Potion about Five in the Morning, and before Six ſhe was taken with the moſt exquiſite Travail-pains: A Meſſenger was diſpatched for me, but, before I could come to her Aſſiſtance, ſhe was delivered; the *Fœtus* came, with the *Placenta*, *Membranes*, and Humours, all whole, which were preſerved until I came, which was ſoon after; and, to my great Surprize, found the *Fœtus* as before-mentioned. I took out my Inciſion-knife, and divided the *Membranes*; ſo took out the *Fœtus*, with the Twiſt in the Navel-ſtring, as it now appears; the

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Membranes were very ſtrong, but the Humours were very foul, and but ſmall in Quantity, though not fetid. My Patient, who is a Woman of Probity and good Underſtanding, declared, from ſtrong Reaſons, that ſhe conceived at the Time above-mentioned, and was delivered as mentioned before; the Twiſts in the Navel-ſtring are Demonſtration, that the *Fœtus* moved in the *Matrix*, in the manner my Patient deſcribed. The Oddneſs of the Caſe made me more particular in giving a true Hiſtory of it, which, I hope, will be an Excuſe for my Prolixity. I need not here mention the exact Reſemblance of the *Fœtus* to a hooded *Monkey:* The *Fœtus* itſelf will ſhew it more particularly than I can relate it.

I aver the above Caſe to be ſtrictly true, to the beſt of my Knowledge, as witneſs my Hand this 30th Day of *April* 1733.

From Rocheſter. William Gregory.

IV. *The Caſe of* Mary Howell, *who had a* Needle *run into her* Arm, *and came out at her* Breaſt.

MARY Howell, late of *Oſwaldeſtry* in *Shropſhire*, Spinſter, had on the 3d Day of *March* 1732. a ſmall Needle, which ſhe had ſtuck upon the Sleeve of her Gown, by her accidentally running againſt a Door, drove, with ſome Thread twiſted about it, into her Left Arm, about Six Inches below her Shoulder; and a young Woman, (one *Mary Price*)